

State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: KRESS LAKE ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS

Description of Proposal:

This project includes the repair of an existing boat launch on Kress Lake to a WDFW standard ramp. The parking area will be regraded and an ADA accessible parking area added. A 558 foot long asphalt path will be replaced along the west side of the lake to connect the ADA fishing pads. The existing gravel lot will be paved and the south entrance will be widened for safety with a new culvert beneath the entrance. In addition, a 4,206 foot long trail around the lake will be graded to ADA standards, with a 7 foot graveled path. Root barriers will be installed for longevity of the path. Existing vegetation will be retained and replaced as necessary. Trash and debris in overlook areas, including in the lake itself, will be added in the notes for the contractors to remove. An old vault for the aerator that is no longer working will also be removed.

Proponent/Applicant: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: The Kress Lake Public Access Site is located on Old Highway 99, Washington, Cowlitz County; Section 31, Township 07 North, Range 01 West WM.

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **October 31, 2012**.

Method of Comment:

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/

• Fax to (360) 902-2946;

• Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Bob Zeigler

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/ Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law. \(^1\)

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Bob Zeigler at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call him at (360) 902-2578.

DATE OF ISSUE: October 16, 2012 SIGNATURE: Bole Zeigler

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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